To the High and Mighty Soveraigne Queen of Great *Britain*, *France* and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, &c.

GREAT SOVERAIGN ANN,

MAY it therefore Please Your Most Excellent MAJESTY, Great Queen, to Hear the Tin Man speak Reason; This my Fourth and Fifth and Sixth Petition, to Your Excellent ...esty; Be not offended, most Mighty Princes, because I tell my ...d; The first time I wrote to Your Majesty, and the last time I ...e, I told Your Excellent Majesty, I *was a Man of a Publick Spi-* I cannot but tell my mind, and for this End came I to the ...ld, to tell Truth; Some will say, *All the Truth should not be told*; I say, for all the Wit I have, I cannot tell all the Truth, But ... Your Excellent Majesty Reads these Books of mine, Ye will ... what sort of a Man I am, This is the fourth Petition, therefore ...rnestly and Humbly, Beseech Your Majesty, that You would not ...e me Your Majesties Secretar, for I cannot keep a Secret; For no ...r than I said, *I would take away the Laird of Cramonds Stones*, as soon I told my Wife; And I hope Your Majesty will grant me ...etition, that this Reader may not have it to say, many Generati... after this, *That the Tincklar wrote many Petitions to the Queen, Her Majesty would never answer one of them*; I hope Your Ma... will answer Negatives, tho you did not answer Positives. Now ... Purpose, therefore I humblie desire Your Majestie to hear ...atientlie Great Queen *Ann*, for I am not writting in a way of ...g, neither am I writing in a way of Drolling, neither am I wri... in a way of Begging; But I have now written in good Earnest ...r Majestie, therefore let Your Parliament of *Great Britain*, ...dge of this Discourse; But before I begin, Your Excellent Maje... must know what for I wrote to Your Excellencie the first time, because I wrote a large Book, call'd *The first Part of the Tinck-*

ters Teſtament; And it coſt me many a waking Night, becauſe I am no Scholer, and wanted other Books, Except the Bible, and if that Book ſhould come to Light as I hope it will, it will tend much to the upholding of our Nation, when I heard that Your Excellent Majeſtie was Exceeding Charitable, I Exſpected ſome Monie from Your Majeſtie, to Print it with, which want off has diſturbed me; And I would not have thought and Sworn to me, but that your Majeſtie would be pleaſed to grant me for Helping to the Uphold of our Nation; when Your Majeſty was pleaſed to give to Earl *Seafield* who did no good to our Nation. But may be Your Majeſty will ſay to me, I may do with my own what I pleaſe, I Confeſs it is true, moſt Noble Queen ANN; But this I ſay that your Majeſtie may more narrowlie conſider which of us is the Trueſt SCOTS Man? But Your Majeſty will ſay again, that *Seafield* has been for our Nations good. I confeſs, moſt Gracious Queen ANN, he has been a mean to make the *Scots* to maintain *many Engliſh Man and Woman, which was (may be) at the point of Starving before, we take in hand to bring them up; And I believe when every One of them has got their Penſion, Your Majeſty will have as little to pay Your Soildiers as before and leſs*; But indeed we are much more Oppreſſed. If any *Engliſh Man* have the confidence to ſay, *we had our Meat before we came among You*; Then I anſwer, if ye had it, I am ſure ye had not Contentment with it, otherwiſe ye would have ſpoken as the Woman did to *Eliſha* the Prophet, 2 *Kings* 4: *chap*: *He asked her, if he ſhould ſpeak to the King for her? But ſhe anſwered and ſaid, I dwel among mine own People*; which is ſet down for their Example, altho they will not follow it.

The *Engliſh* call us poor *Scots*, but for as poor as we are, they cannot Live without us, nor Great Men gathers together what Money they can get here, and goes to Parliament and maintains the *Engliſh* there, and that Parliament ſends down *Engliſh* Men to gather what Remains, and ſo by that means we that are *Scots* Treadſmen cannot get Bread, ſo we muſt leave our Native Land, that idle *Engliſhes* may have Food? If any would ſay, I ſpeak againſt the Government, then let the Government either maintain me or take away my Life, which it will be eaſier then to pine me away with Hunger. The 5th Petition, And now moſt Sacred, moſt Gracious, moſt Excellent, moſt

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Charitable, and Great Queen ANN, send Relief according to this Lamentabale Petition, for we are not able to pay so much Stent and Burden, when neither Your *Majestie* nor your Parliament will Remain with us, and if Your Majestie will be pleased to Remain with us one Year of three, I shall be content, but otherways most Noble Queen ANN I will never be content on that head. We have little or no Treading be *England*, should I pay Stent that Sells but two pans in a Day, as a Man that Sells a 100? May be Your *Majestie* will say, what hinders our Treading? Four Reasons most Noble Queen ANN, First our Earth is not so Fat. 2*ly*. We are not so Rich. 3*ly*. We want Wit, will your *Majesties* Parliament oppress us because we are Ignorant? If a Man gives me 4 shil: for a pan, that I know is not worth two; if I take it I have no Conscience. 4th. Reason, we are Proud, as for Example I offered to come to Your Majestie bare Footed the first time I wrote to Your Majestie; and now I will hardlie come altho Your Majestie would send a Coach for me, and altho Your Majestie gar me come against my will, and ser me near the Head of the Table, yet if any shall come and say raise *Tinclarious Doctor Mitchel*, and give this *English* Lord place, that would do me more ill then your Majesties Meat would do me good, and by this your Majestie may know what sort of Stuff the *Scots* are? But says your Majestie, ye should be humbled, *I* answer it is not in the power of the *British Parliament* to humble us; indeed it is in their power to make us Thieves, I have payed little or none for wair that was entered since the Union, I have not Money to pay for Goods, and a dear entrie to entertain *English* Men with? Your Majestie may be will say, what is the Reason I am so poor? The Reason is most Mightie Princess, no Gentle Man will bind his Son to our Trade, because they are proud; and because the Merchants will not suffer them to be a Magistrate, so we take our Boyes off the Street, and wanting a Stock, how can we be Rich? May be Your Majestie will say that we are over idle? I Confess it is true, most Noble Queen ANN, but oppression is the readie way to make us worse, when I have little of the World I am careless of keeping it, and when I have much I desire more, now Great Queen ANN; I humblie desire if it be Your Majesties will to hear the sixth Petition.

If Your Majestie will not hear the 5th, so as to Remain with us here; The 6: which is to make Your wise Parliament lift us up, because our

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ignorant Parliament hath brought us low, but fat as low as we are, if Your Majestie will give us our former Rights, we shall yeatlie pay an hundred thousand pound mote to your Majesties Threasurie, then new while War lasts. Now I hope Your Majestie will grant this Petition, because Monie answers all things, and so your Loyal Subject *William Mitchel* shal pray GOD, to Bless the Queen of Great *Brittain*. Amen. Reader, make haste and run to her Majestie with this Letter, for ye see there is no Treason in it, if I had written Treason; I would have got an answer of my Letters long before now, since I have sent Ten Thousand with them, Run be not feard, for I have an Act of Parliament to tell my Mind, except Treason. I hope to have an answer now, *For I have preferred the Queens Majestie to all the World besides, because I have written 4 Books to Her Majestie; and but 4 to all the World; One to the Magistrates; And one to the Ministers; And one of the Devils, together with his 16 Regiments; And one to the rest of the World, which is wonderful, and will be Admired of all that Read it.*

I say make haste Reader, and do not reproach me to Her Majestie, lest our matter go wrong, and if any thing put it wrong it will be your Tongue therefore take notice, a good Tongue is a good Sword. Tell Her Majestie that she needs not expect any more Letters from me, for I will not be troubled, if I get not a good Answer of this. Ye must tell Her Majestie also, that I am not to give that Money for nought, lest People call me a Fool; But it is that Her Majestie may stand between me and all hazard of the Pope, and his Followers. If Her Majestie will not hear me in any of these six Petitions, it will be much to keep me in my Right Wits; for I dare not write to France for Help, because I compared their King to the Devil in one of my Books. Go, go, Reader, for I will not go my self, no the length of my foot, except I please; For I can answer when Her Majestie sends for me, as old Barzillai answered King David; 2 Sam. 19.

Go tell Her Majestie, if she wants Money to pay Her Soildiers, give the Clergy less Wages, and lay more Dutie upon Goulf Clubs, and then fewer of them will go to the Goulf; And keep fewer Pensioners, for I know there are in Edinburgh gets it, that does not need it.

Any that wants the Great Doctor Mitchel Tincklarians Works, may have them all bound, or unbound, at an easie Rate, at his Shop, the head of the West Bow of Edinburgh.